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In re Application of: Rene E. Kristiansen

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced case on the merits, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.